



International Space Agency CIO Forum Industrial Control Systems (ICS) and Cyber

Office of the Chief Information Officer

Robert Powell,
CISSP / CISM
Senior Advisor, Cybersecurity
May, 2017

www.nasa.gov





Discussion Areas

- Definition of OT
- NASA OIG Findings
- OCIO Focus
- Integrated Approach
- Top Weaknesses (ICS-CERT)
- Defense-in-Depth (Best Practices)
- NIST References
- ICS-CERT References



What is OT?

Operational Technology (OT) is hardware and software that detects or causes a change through the direct monitoring and / or control of physical devices and processes.

-Based on NIST & Gartner OT Definitions

OT Systems Include*:

- ICS (Industrial Control System)
- SCADA (Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition) System
- Distributed Control System
- Process Control System
- Building Automation/Control System
- Safety Instrumented System
- Logic Controllers

* Systems that do not qualify as OT include: Email systems, HR systems, SAP, etc.



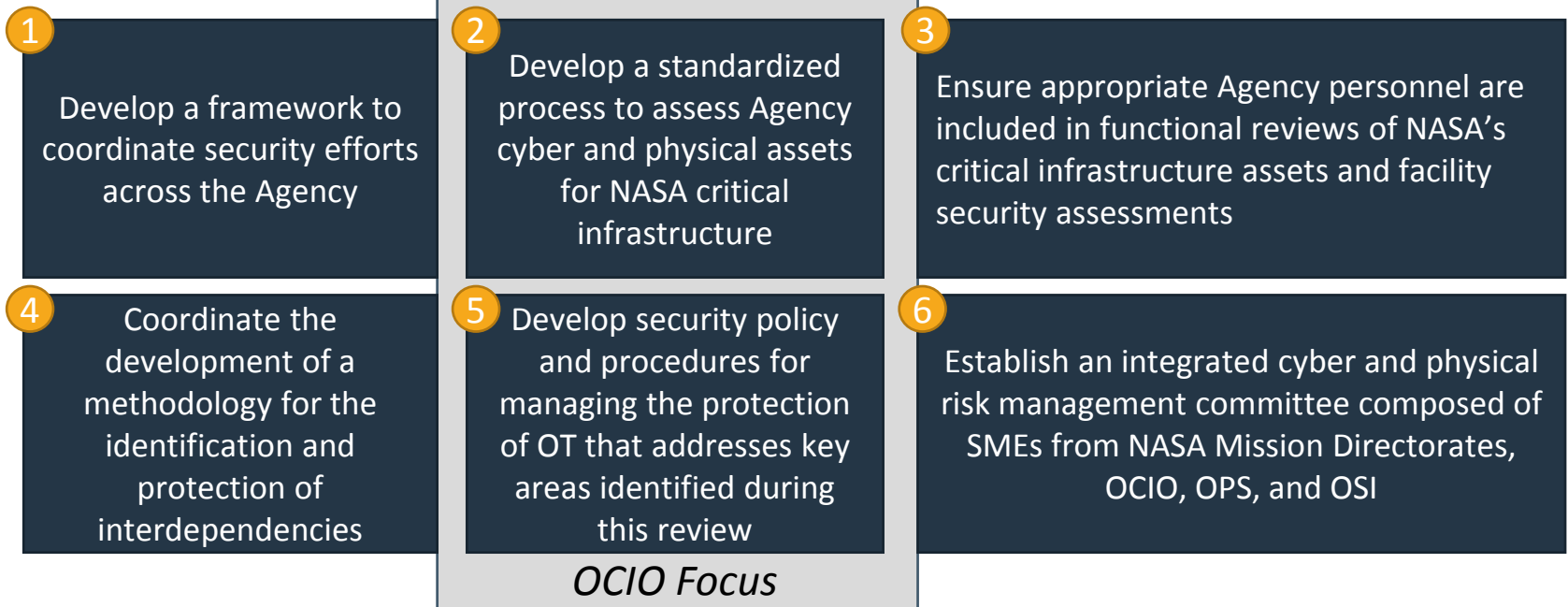
NASA ICS Improvements

Six Focus Areas:

1. **Develop a framework to coordinate security efforts**
2. **Develop a standardized process to assess Agency cyber and physical assets** for NASA critical infrastructure
3. **OPS will include OCIO and OSI in assessments** of critical infrastructure and facility security to appropriately address interdependencies
4. **Coordinate development of a methodology** for identification and protection of interdependencies
5. **Develop security policy based on NIST guidance** (800-53 and 800-82) for managing the protection of OT. At a minimum, this should include (subset listed below):
 - a. Definition for ICS
 - b. Strategy for segmenting OT from IT
 - c. Develop system security plans and assessment methodologies
 - d. Develop training for responsible security personnel
6. **Establish an integrated cyber and physical risk management committee** composed of subject matter experts from NASA Mission Directorates and Mission Support Offices (**OCIO** – Office of the Chief Information Officer, **OPS** – Office of Protective Services, **OSI** – Office of Strategic Infrastructure, **OCE** – Office of Chief Engineer)

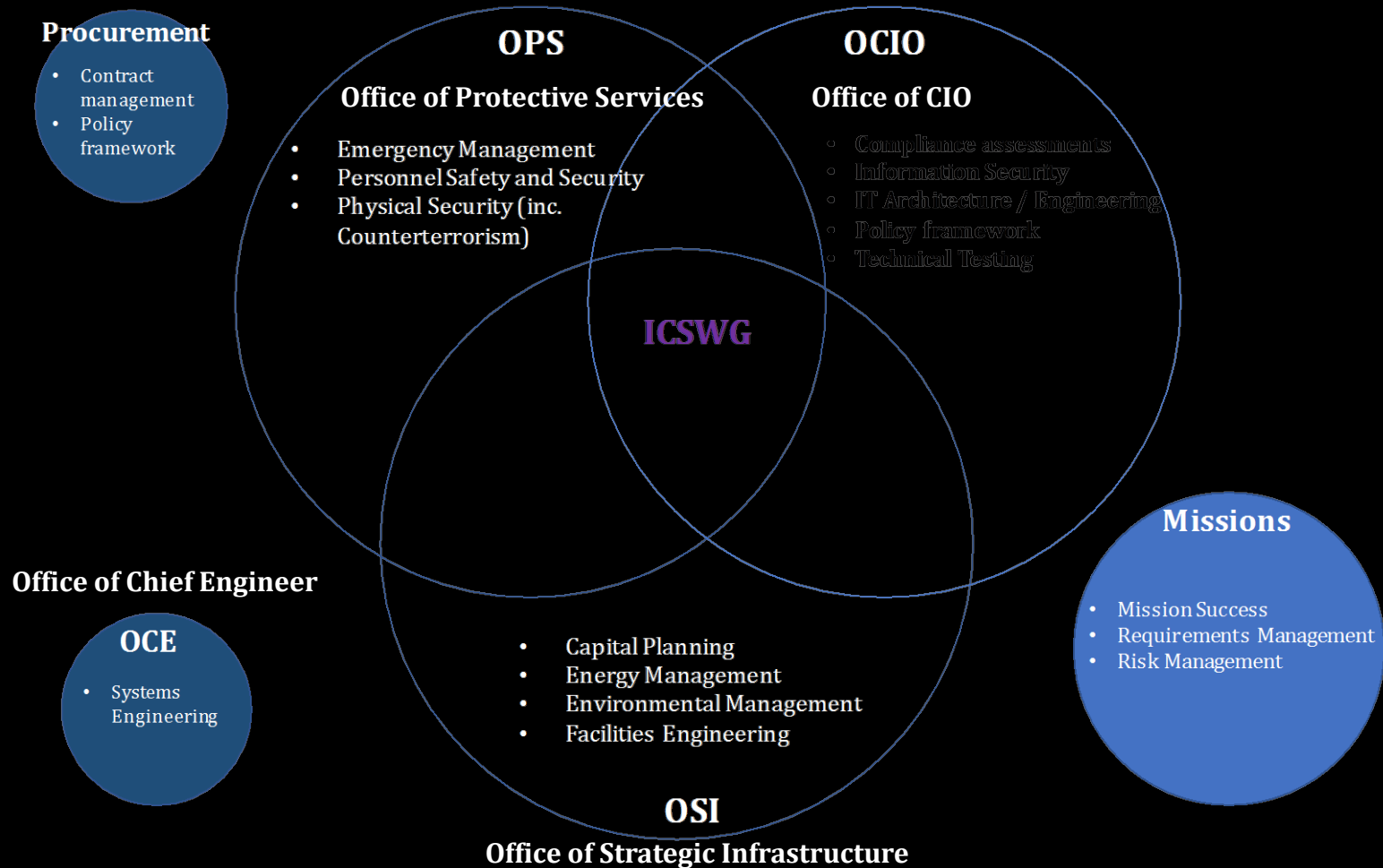


OCIO Focus Areas





Integrated Approach





NASA ICS Examples

OCIO:

- Data Center Management Systems
- Land Mobile Radio
- Internet of Things
- Telephone systems

OSI:

- Building Automation / Management Systems
- Elevator Control Systems
- Energy Management Systems
- Fire Alarm / Sprinkler Systems
- Renewable Energy Control Systems

OPS:

- Intrusion Detection Systems
- Physical Access Control Systems
- Personnel Safety Support Systems
 - Emergency Alert Systems
- Surveillance Systems (e.g., CCTV)

Mission:

- Antenna Control Systems
- Integration and Test Systems
- Laboratory and Research Chambers
- Range Safety and Launch Support
- Sensor networks



ICS-CERT Assessment Summaries



Industrial Control Systems Assessments FY 2014 Overview and Analysis

Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team



NCCIC/ICS-CERT Industrial Control Systems Assessment Summary Report

National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center/
Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team
FY 2015



ICS-CERT Year in Review

Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team
2016



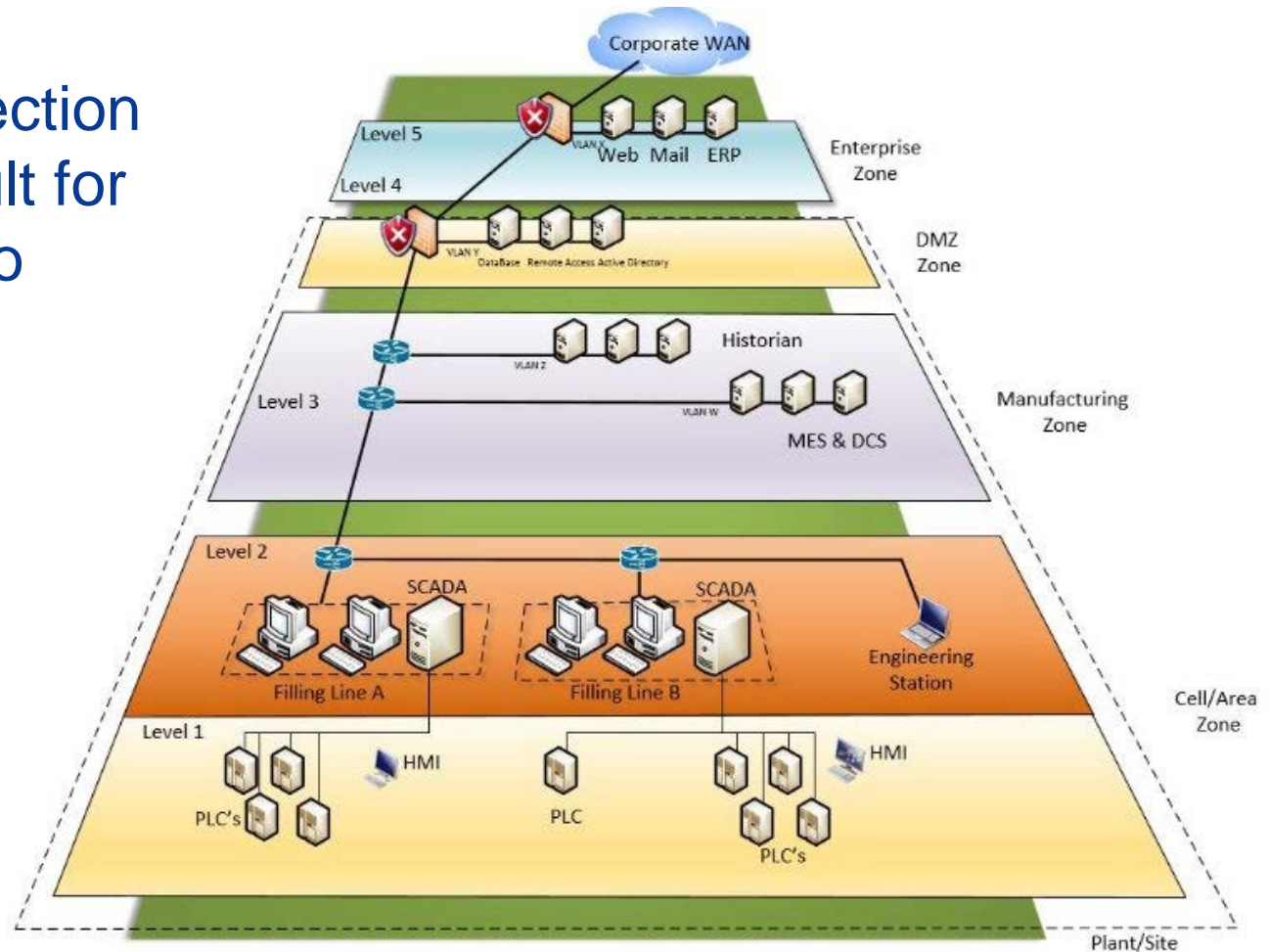
#1 Recommendation – **Boundary Protection**

- **Monitor and control** of ICS communications at external and key internal boundaries
- Implement **subnetworks** to separate critical systems
- Implement **managed protective interfaces** for external connectivity to critical systems

Best Practice: Defense-in-Depth

Layers of protection makes it difficult for an adversary to penetrate into critical assets

Network segmentation avoids one big flat network





NIST References

- NIST Special Publication (SP) **800-82rev2**: *Guide to Industrial Control Systems (ICS) Security* (May 2015)
 - » <http://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/SpecialPublications/NIST.SP.800-82r2.pdf>
- NIST SP **800-53rev4**: *Security and Privacy Controls for Federal Information Systems and Organizations* (December 2014)
 - » <http://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/SpecialPublications/NIST.SP.800-53r4.pdf>
- NIST **Information Technology Bulletin (ITL)** for November 2015: *Tailoring Security Controls for Industrial Control Systems*
 - » http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/nistbul/itlbul2015_11.pdf



ICS-CERT References

- DHS Recommended Practice: *Improving Industrial Control System Cybersecurity with **Defense-in-Depth Strategies*** (September 2016)
 - » https://ics-cert.us-cert.gov/sites/default/files/recommended_practices/NCCIC_ICS-CERT_Defense_in_Depth_2016_S508C.pdf
- INL Paper: ***Mitigations for Security Vulnerabilities Found in Control System Networks*** (2006)
 - » https://ics-cert.us-cert.gov/sites/default/files/recommended_practices/MitigationsForVulnerabilitiesCSNetsISA_S508C.pdf
- DHS Presentation: ***Common Cybersecurity Vulnerabilities in Industrial Control Systems*** (May 2011)
 - » https://ics-cert.us-cert.gov/sites/default/files/recommended_practices/DHS_Common_Cybersecurity_Vulnerabilities_ICS_2010.pdf



Questions?

